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CURRENT MONTHLY DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	JANUARY 1984			JANUARY 31, 1984	
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	(Million Board Feet)				
Southern Pine Region	577	547	513	522	1,438
Douglas Fir Region	708	660	740	753	1,046
Western Pine Region	724	682	738	466	1,298
California Redwood Region	156	135	164	164	367
Other Softwoods	121	113	120	249	275
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,286	2,137	2,275	2,154	4,424
% Change - December 1983	18.5%	4.7%	4.7%	6.8%	3.5%
% Change - January 1983	13.2%	9.4%	4.4%	8.9%	9.3%
HARDWOOD LUMBER					
Southern Hardwood Region	279	278	299	274	709
Appalachian Hardwood Reg.	44	44	47	*	*
Other Hardwoods	131	130	140	165	888
TOTAL HARDWOODS	454	452	486	439	1,597
% Change - December 1983	0.4%	3.0%	6.6%	8.4%	0.1%
% Change - January 1983	3.7%	-2.2%	3.8%	21.6%	-8.3%
TOTAL LUMBER	2,740	2,589	2,761	2,593	6,021
% Change - December 1983	15.1%	4.4%	5.0%	7.1%	2.6%
% Change - January 1983	11.5%	7.2%	4.3%	10.8%	4.0%
* Included in Other Hardwoods					
FLOORING	(Thousand Feet)				
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	8,564	NA	9,111	3,940
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	672	691	885	2,894	2,097
STRUCTURAL PANELS					
Total All Regions	1,757,637	1,667,028	1,874,952	462,478	411,137
% Change - December 1983	5.5%	6.6%	31.5%	81.7%	18.2%
% Change - January 1983	9.9%	7.6%	11.4%	-3.9%	5.8%

YEAR-TO-DATE DOMESTIC LUMBER PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)		
Total Lumber -- 1 mo. 1984	2,740	2,589	2,761
Total Lumber -- 1 mo. 1983	2,458	2,415	2,647
% Change	11.5%	7.2%	4.3%
Softwood Lumber -- 1 mo. 1984	2,286	2,137	2,275
Softwood Lumber -- 1 mo. 1983	2,020	1,953	2,179
% Change	13.2%	9.4%	4.4%
Hardwood Lumber -- 1 mo. 1984	454	452	486
Hardwood Lumber -- 1 mo. 1983	438	462	468
% Change	3.7%	-2.2%	3.8%

INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

	Jan.'84	---% Change From-- Dec.'83	Jan.'83	1 mo. 1984	% Change From 1 mo. 1983
	(Million Board Feet)				
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER IMPORTS	927.5	4.8%	5.5%	927.5	5.5%
Softwoods	900.6	5.2%	5.4%	900.6	5.4%
From Canada	895.5	5.1%	4.9%	895.5	4.9%
Other Sources	5.1	18.5%	550.3%	5.1	550.3%
Hardwoods	26.7	-5.8%	11.4%	26.7	11.4%
From Canada	5.6	-11.5%	-17.9%	5.6	-17.9%
Other Sources	21.1	-4.2%	23.1%	21.1	23.1%
Railroad Ties	0.2	-65.7%	-6.1%	0.2	-6.1%
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER EXPORTS	159.1	-11.5%	-8.9%	159.1	-8.9%
Softwoods	115.4	-15.8%	-16.5%	115.4	-16.5%
Hardwoods	40.0	3.2%	25.5%	40.0	25.5%
Railroad Ties	3.7	-6.2%	-18.4%	3.7	-18.4%
Exports To Canada	47.0	0.5%	12.8%	47.0	12.8%

U.S. LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Jan.'84	Dec.'83	Jan.'83	1 mo.'84	1 mo.'83
	(Million Board Feet)				
Total Consumption	3,357	5.4%	7.6%	3,357	7.6%
Softwood Consumption	2,922	5.9%	9.5%	2,922	9.5%
Hardwood Consumption	435	2.3%	-3.2%	435	-3.2%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

LUMBER REGION	PRODUCTION Jan. '84	PRODUCTION ---% Change From- Dec. '83	PRODUCTION ---% Change From- Jan. '83	SHIPMENTS Jan. '84	SHIPMENTS ---% Change From-- Dec. '83	SHIPMENTS ---% Change From-- Jan. '83
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	7,288	20.7%	10.7%	7,043	13.1%	-0.9%
Douglas Fir	8,896	14.7%	10.3%	8,646	2.4%	12.2%
Western Pine	10,713	10.3%	20.5%	10,333	-0.4%	14.6%
Calif. Redwood	1,800	11.9%	4.7%	1,615	-13.2%	17.4%
Other Softwoods	1,594	18.5%	13.1%	1,568	9.3%	9.7%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	30,291	14.5%	13.6%	29,205	3.1%	9.7%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	6,033	1.8%	3.7%	5,512	-6.1%	-2.2%
TOTAL LUMBER	36,325	12.2%	11.8%	34,718	1.5%	7.6%

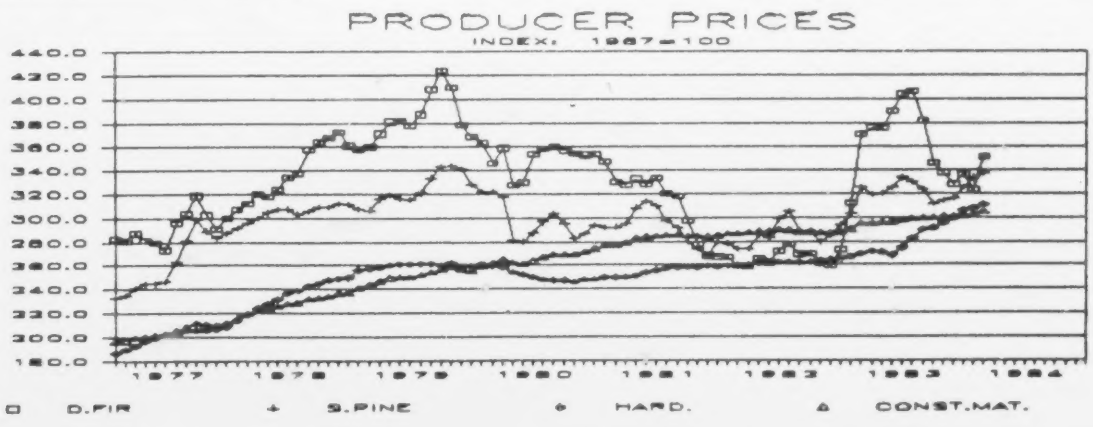
CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING STATISTICS

	CURRENT: Latest Month Available	CURRENT: % Change From Dec. '83	CURRENT: % Change From Jan. '83	YEAR-TO-DATE: Latest Period Available	YEAR-TO-DATE: % Change From 1 mo. '83
	Jan. '84			1 mo. '84	
	(Billions of Dollars)				
VALUE OF ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT-IN-PLACE	19.6	-12.9%	14.6%	19.6	14.6%
Private	16.5	-12.7%	19.6%	16.5	19.6%
Residential	8.6	-8.5%	38.7%	8.6	38.7%
Nonresidential & Other	7.9	-16.8%	3.9%	7.9	3.9%
Public	3.1	-13.9%	-6.1%	3.1	-6.1%
	Feb. '84	Jan. '84	Feb. '83	2 mos. '84	2 mos. '83
	(Thousands of Units)				
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private & Public	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Private Starts	126.8	16.7%	31.7%	235.5	25.5%
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	2197	11.2%	28.8%		
One-Family Housing Starts	75.6	11.0%	25.2%	143.7	23.1%
Proportion of Total	NA			NA	
	Jan. '84	Dec. '83	Jan. '83	1 mo. '84	1 mo. '83
	(Millions of Dollars)				
BUILDING PERMITS AUTHORIZED					
All Private Construction	9,091	-5.2%	36.2%	9,091	36.2%
New Housing Units	4,760	1.3%	40.6%	4,760	40.6%
New Nonresidential	2,534	-2.9%	42.3%	2,534	42.3%
Additions & Alterations	1,586	-17.6%	18.1%	1,586	18.1%
	(Number of Units)				
SHIPMENTS OF MOBILE HOMES	20,000	7.0%	10.5%	20,000	10.5%

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Feb. '84	% Change From Jan. '84	% Change From Feb. '83
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	92,249	0.4%	3.9%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,495	0.6%	6.9%
Lumber and Wood Products	716	0.3%	13.5%
Furniture and Fixtures	481	1.1%	12.6%

	Feb. '84	% Change From Jan. '84	% Change From Feb. '83
	(Index: 1967=100)		
PRODUCER PRICES			
All Commodities	308.8	0.2%	2.6%
All Construction Materials	304.8	0.8%	3.5%
Lumber and Wood Products	315.6	2.1%	4.1%
All Lumber	365.4	3.5%	6.0%
Softwood Lumber	377.4	4.1%	3.7%
Douglas Fir Lumber	351.7	9.0%	-5.0%
Southern Pine Lumber	337.4	1.1%	3.9%
Other Softwood Lumber	417.2	5.9%	5.6%
Hardwood Lumber	310.9	1.1%	15.3%
Millwork	308.5	0.0%	2.7%
Softwood Plywood	316.1	2.3%	3.9%
Hardwood Plywood	182.6	-0.9%	4.3%
Wood Household Furniture	267.0	0.3%	4.1%
Pulp, Paper, & Allied Products	310.5	0.9%	5.5%
Steel Mill Products	363.5	0.2%	3.5%
Aluminum Shapes	331.1	0.8%	13.2%
Concrete Products	306.4	0.3%	2.1%
Structural Clay Products	283.0	-0.2%	7.1%



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